

The Deadmans Song, whole dwelling was decreed vnto Baling Hall in London.

To the tune of Flying Fame.

Icke, deare friends, long time I
in weahelp laid in bed : (was,
five houres in all mens sight
with I lay as dead :
I rang out, my friends came in,
as I lay cold was found :
as was my carthasse brought from
and cast upon the ground.
louing wife did waile full sore,
a children loud did cry :
friends did mourne, yet thus they
I to home to die : (said,
cluding that prepared was,
a grave was also made :
aue long buried by last report,
this same case I laid.
ing which time, my soule did see
a change and searefull sightes,
I for to heare the same disclos'd,
and hauius all delights,
with the Lord rest of my life,
sick from my body fled :
I declare what sightes I saw,
a time that I was dead.
thought along a gallant graine,
where pleasant flowers spyung,
like my way whereas me thought,
the flowers sweetly sung.
the graine was sweet, the trees full
and laden to behold. (said,
the fruit of fruits was everpewig,
which shinde like glistering gold.
the full heart desired much
to take the fruit so false :
as I reacht, a faire young-man
to me did fast repair.
and that (as he) that's none of thine,
but went and tolke with me :
as muche full we each severall thing,
which I shall shew to thee.
was greatly at his wordes,
yet went with him away :
as in a gaily pleasant dance,
with him he had me say.
with branches then of Lillies white,
his eyes there wiped he :
as this time done, he made me loke,
what I face off could see.
what up and loe, at last,
I saw a Citty se :
as in a thing did neuer man
behold with mortall eye : (saw
Diamonds, Pearles and Precious
it seemed the walls were made :
he houses all with beateu gaild,
a filds and ouerlaid.
a lighter then the morning Sun,
the light thereof did shew :
every creature in the same
the rooued things did goe.
as about the Citty faire,
all with Moses set :

Gilliflowers and Carnations faire,
which canker could not fret:
And from these fields there did pucker
the sweetest and pleasant smell,
That euer living creature felt,
the sent did so sweet :
Besides such sweet triumphant mirth
did from the Citty sound.
That I therewith was ravished,
my say did so abound.
With musicks, mirth, and melody,
Princes did there embrace :
And in my heart I long to be
within that fayfull place.
The more I gaz'd, the more I might,
the sight pleas'd me so well :
For what I saw in every thing,
my tongue can no way tell :
A hen of the man I did demand,
what place the same might be :
Whereas so many things doe well,
in joy and melody :
Quoth he, that blessed place is heauen,
where yet thou must not rest,
And those that do like Princes walke,
are men whom God hath blest.
Then did I turne me round about,
and on the other side,
He had me blest and marke as much,
what things are to be spide.
With that I saw a coale blacke den,
all tand with sot and smoke (was,
where stinking byrds were burning
which made me like to choke.
And I creature there I saw,
whose face with haues was washt,
And in a Calozon of popylon's cloth,
his hgy corpe was washt.
About his necke were sere rustes,
that stam'd on every side.
I askt, and loe, the young-man said,
that he was down'd for pride.
Another sort then did I see,
whose howel's wipers toid :
And grievously with gaping mouth,
they did both yell and roare.
A spotted person by each one
was gnawing on their hearts :
And this was conscience I was told,
that plagu'd their envious parts.
These were no longer out of sight,
but straight came in their place,
A sort full of burning fire,
which fell against their face.
And ladies full of molten gold,
were powred downe their throats :
And these were set (as seem'd to me)
in midst of burning boats :
The foremost of the company,
was Iudas I was told,
Who had for Alibys sake,
his Lord and Master sold.

For comenures those were condemn'd
so it was told to me,
And then, me thought another bout
of Hell-bounds I did see :
Their faces they seem'd fat in sight,
yet all their bones were bare,
And vises full of crawling toads,
was made their finest fare.
From armes, from hands, from thighs
with red hot plinders then, I set,
The flesh was pluckt euen to the bone
of these vile g'attonods men.
On coale blacke beds, another sort,
in grievous sort did lie,
And underneath them burning brands,
their flesh did burne and fry.
With byrds whose fierce their vislows,
whereon their heads were lash, (the,
And hands with topis of glowing fire
their lecherous thins off lash.
Then did I see another come,
knebb'd in with daggers thicke :
And Alibys hands with sere darts,
their hearts did wounde and picke :
And mighty bowls of corrupt blood,
were brought them for to drinke,
these men were for murder plagu'd,
from which they could not shynke.
I saw when these were gone away,
the swearer and the Liar,
these were hung by by the tongues,
right ouer a flaming fire.
From eyes, from eares, from navill,
and from the lower parts, I saw,
The blood, me thought, did gush out
and clodd'd like mens hearts,
I asked why that punishment,
was upon swearer's late :
Because, as one woman blid I heard
was till the oath they made.
And therewithall from byrds fell,
such stiches and cryes I heard,
As though some greater griefe and
had byt them afterward. (plagued
So that my soule was sore afraid,
such terror on me fell :
Away then went the young-man quicke,
and had me fast farewell.
Wherefore unto my body straight,
my spirit retir'd againe,
And lively blid did afterwach
drest forth in every vein.
My closed eyes I opened,
and raised from my couch :
And wonderd much to see my selfe
laid so upon the ground.
Which when my neighbours did behold,
great feare upon them fell.
As when some after I did shew
the newes from heauen and hell.
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